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FASTENER STOCK AND)	
METHOD OF MANUFACT-)	
URING THE SAME)	

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Sir:

AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated June 23, 2006, please amend the above-identified patent application as indicated below.

There are no **Amendments to the Specification** in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the **Listing of Claims** which begins on page 2 of this paper.

There are no **Amendments to the Drawings** in this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.